



Little Used Records on Arkivalieronline

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The Danish National Archive is working to digitize its collections. “Arkivalieronline” contains ***more than 30 million single images of archival records. It is a wonderful database to use when searching for one’s Danish ancestors.***

The Danish National Archives offer much more than just the parish registers, census records, and military records we most commonly use.

This class is going to show you a few of the other record types and collections available on “arkivalieronline”.

These records and collections will all have some genealogical information that could be helpful in identifying and verifying a possible ancestor.

Sa.dk—arkivalieronline:

When opening the sa.dk you will find the opening page in Danish. There is a button towards the upper right corner you can click on to get it in English.

This class will focus on records found in the titles of Genealogy and Miscellanea. (On the Danish version it will be found under Se flere—then Find din slægt and Øvrige)

Genealogy (Find din slægt)

- ***Parish registers from congregations “overseas”:***

Parish registers of Danish citizens living abroad: You will find births, confirmations, engagements, marriages, and deaths, much like the parish registers found in Denmark. There are also records over persons moving into, or leaving the parish.

- ***Lægesdistrikter m. m. (vaccination records and midwives’ journals):***
Midwife’s journal 1860s-1930s

Names of women giving birth, (and at times their husband’s name), age, birth order of child just born, and remarks regarding the birth itself.

Vaccination records:

Name of person being vaccinated, birth information - when and where. Names of parents and their residence. Date of vaccination. Various remarks.

- ***Forlovelse protokoll – Record of engagements:***

Names, exact birth information (when and where), occupation, and residence. Date of marriage. Names and residence of parents. Information regarding previous marriages, including divorce dates and name of previous spouse.

- ***Borgelige vielser – civil marriages: 1851-1960.***

Names, exact birth information (when and where), occupation, and residence. Date of marriage

- **Nordfyns Lægekreds Dødsattest 1916-1917 – death certificates from Nordfyn (mostly Odense County)**
- **Copenhagen death certificates (dødsattester).** The practice of writing death certificates was started in 1829 in Copenhagen; the rest of the country followed in 1832. Information found would be: names, birth information- when and where, occupation, death information, age, residence, and possibly names of spouses
- **Personregisterfører Vejle, 1920:**
Register of persons. The information included in these records could include name of person (“whose record it is”), birth information, death information (when and where), names of parents, and spouses (if married)
- **Guardian records:**
Name of child, age (can get exact birth or christening date), name of parent(s) who had died, and possibly siblings, residence, and name of guardian.
- **Statsamtet Over præsidiets AJ Register:**
Shows records requesting support for an illegitimate child. You will find the name of the illegitimate child, the mother and father. The birth date of the child will be listed and often the residence of the alleged father.
- **Odense Tugthus 1752:**
Odense work house: Some entries are very descriptive, with names of spouses and children, places of previous residences, occupation of spouse, and where spouse is living.

Miscellanea (Øvrige)

- **Fængsler, tugt- og forbedringshuse: Prisons, work houses and places for improvement: -**
Photos and indexes over incoming prisoners.
Some “tugthus” records give full name, age/birth information- **when and where, name of spouse, and children's names and ages**, places of last residences, etc
- **Christianshavns Straffeanstalt:**
Pictures of inmates with a “person id no”. We do not have the **complete case history records here, but with the name, person- and case numbers you may be able to write to the individual institution for more information.**
- **Statsfængslet i Horsens, 1890-1929:**
Horsens city prison. These records had both personal information and photographs, as well as description of the crime committed.
- **Fæstebrev - Lease contracts:**
Names, dates of transferring of property, property values, relationships, and residences

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- **Nygaards Sedler:** found on ddd.dda.dk. It covers the Jutland island (the big island of Denmark)

The collection is alphabetized by last name. In this collection you will find names, ages (sometimes exact birth dates and place), education, occupation, residences, and at times, information regarding family members.

Collections found in Nygaards Sedler are as follows:

Jyske Personalia: 425.433 notes regarding persons from Jutland with “unusual” names.

Jyske Hovedgaarde: information regarding the main farms

Jyske Gårde og Møller: 48000 notes regarding farms and mills

- **Oeders Efterretninger 1771:** this can be found on **the Danish version** of ddd.dda.dk only!

This collection covers married couples, widowers, and widows living on the islands of Sjælland, Amager, Møn, and Bornholm

Information given could be names, ages of husband and wife, occupation, marital status, no of marriages, parish, and village/town.

The records and collections are just a few that can be found and accessed on sa.dk (arkivalieronline).

Spend some time on the Genealogy and Miscellanea parts of “Arkivalieronline” and you will be amazed and excited at what you will find 😊

Good luck in your search for your Danish ancestors.